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SUBJECT: SUGAR CONSULTATIONS-RESTRICTED PARTICIPATION BY BRAZIL:

US REPRESENTATION

REF: (A) LONDON 12242, (B) BRASILIA 6188, (C) BRASILIA 5848

1. I CALLED ON AMBASSADOR PAULO CABRAL DE MELLO, CHIEF OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT, ON THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 26. HE SEEMED GENUINELY SURPRISED AT OUR INFORMATION THAT THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATION TO THE LONDON SUGAR CONSULTATIONS WAS NOT TAKING AN ACTIVE ROLE. I STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE THAT THE US PLACED ON THE NEGOTIATION OF AN ACCEPTABLE ISA AND THE MAJOR ROLE WE FELT BRAZIL MUST PLAY IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, AND OUTLINED CURRENT VIEW OF POSSIBLE CONGRESSIONAL SUGAR INITIATIVES. CABRAL DE MELLO SAID THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATION HAD BEEN GIVEN CONSIDERABLE LATITUDE AND THE MINISTRY HAD RECEIVED ONLY LIGHT REPORTING FROM THE MEETING. HE PROMISED TO CONTACT THE DELEGATION ABOUT US CONCERNS AND TO ELICIT THE DELEGATION'S VIEWS ON THE PROGRESS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

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2. ALSO PRESENT AT THE MEETING WAS JORIO DAUSTER OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S COMMODITIES DIVISION, WHO HAD BEEN THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATE TO THE RECENT GENEVA SUGAR CONFERENCE. HE COMMENTED THAT, SINCE BRAZIL HAD BASIC PROBLEMS WITH THE US PROPOSAL (REF C), BRAZIL'S SILENCE COULD BE INTERPRETED AS FAVORABLE SINCE BRAZIL'S ONLY OTHER ALTERNATIVE WAS TO OPPOSE OPENLY THE US PLAN IN ITS

PRESENT FORM. HE THOUGHT BRAZIL'S DELEGATION WOULD PLAY
A MORE ACTIVE ROLE SHOULD THE US MODIFY ITS POSITION. DAUSTER
REITERATED BRAZIL'S OPPOSITION TO THE US PROPOSAL FOR STOCK OF
3 MILLION TONS, AND AGAIN CHARACTERIZED US FINANCING PLAN AS
TOTALLY INADEQUATE.

3. I STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PRESENT MEETING AND
THE NEED FOR ACTIVE BRAZILIAN PARTICIPATION IN WORKING OUT A
PACKAGE WHICH CAN GAIN MAJOR SUPPORT, AND EMPHASIZED THAT THE
ADMINISTRATION DOES NOT INTEND TO RETURN TO A SYSTEM OF COUNTRY
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